GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2922
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2002
DONATION TO NATIONAL CULTURAL FUND
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) since its inception in 1996, the total amount of donations received worldwide, by the National Culture Fund and the amount sanctioned by the Government;

(b) the details of spending the money of the NCF and schemes adopted by it since 1996;

(c) whether after signing the Memorandum of Understanding between NCF, Indian Hotels Company Ltd. and the ASI in 2001 any conceptual plan been drawn to preserve and beautify Taj Mahal at Agra; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, of such a plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) The total amount of donations received by the National Culture Fund since its inception in 1996 till31st March, 2002 has been Rs.1,90,98,483.72. The amount sanctioned by the Govt. till 31st March is Rs.6.01 crores for the Corpus Fund.

(b) The statement showing the schemes adopted since 1996, donations received, amount spent as well as the balance till 31st March 2002 is annexed .

(c& d) A conceptual plan has been drawn to provide a visitors facilitation centre to the north-east and north-west corner of the forecourt of the Taj Mahal. A detailed conservation plan has been finalized to take up requisite repairs to the monument. Other programmes envisaged included providing of appropriate signage, visitors movement plan, refurbishing of museum, providing handicapped friendly access and tourist amenities e.g. toilet, drinking water and coffee shop etc.

ANNEXURE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2922 FOR 9.12.2002 REGARDING DONATION TO NATIONAL CULTURAL FUND.

(REPLY OF PART (B) OF THE QUESTION).

S.No.	Project	Donations upto 31.03.2002 (Rupees)	Expenditure upto 31.03.2002 (Rupees)	Balance as on 31.03.2002 (Rupees)
1.	Children`s Academy, Durgapur	2,18,168.00	26,570.00	1,91,598.00
2.	Humayun`s Tomb, Delhi	30,45,940.00	9,97,803.00	20,48,137.00
3.	Indian Oil Corporation (Transferred to Indian Oil Foundation for the Corpus Fund)	26,00,00,000.00	26,00,00,000.00	
4.	Jantar Mantar, Delhi	1016.65	1016.65	
5.	Jnana Pravah, Varanasi	79,72,000.00	79,34,465.00	37,535.00
6.	Karnataka Chitrakala Parishad, Bangalore	1,000.00	1,000.00	

7Kishkindha Trust, Anegundi, Karnataka	80,069.00	76,418.00	3,651.00
8.Pardeshi Synagogue Clock Tower, Cochin	8,75,557.00		8,75,557.00
9.Rama Krishna Mission, Kolkata	2,37,001.00		2,37,001.00
10.Ramana Maharishi Centre for Learning, Bangalore	81,974.00	75,000.00	6,974.00
11.Shaniwarwada, Pune	48,20,715.38	36,15,389.76	12,05,325.62